

Diarrhoea after drinking copper contaminated water

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Abstract: Three cases of children with suspected copper intoxication from the

drinking water are described.

The children presented with protracted diarrhoea, which promptly disappeared, when they were given drinking water of low copper concentration but reappeared when given their domestic water.

It is concluded that the use of copper tubing in the water pipes may under certain circumstances result in the presence of copper in the drinking water and the risk of intoxication, especially in small children.

If you wish to protect yourself and your family from a wide range of undesirable substances commonly found in tap water, you should select point-of-use ceramic water filtration.

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